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Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor And
Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor
Receptor Gene Expression Using Short
Interfering Nucleic Acid (siNA)

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Group Art Unit: 1635

Confirmation No.: 8325

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

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 - a. Preliminary Amendment; and
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments
before examination on the merits.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.